

Adding
Distinction
to the
Home

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The Doorway Your Friends Enter Here

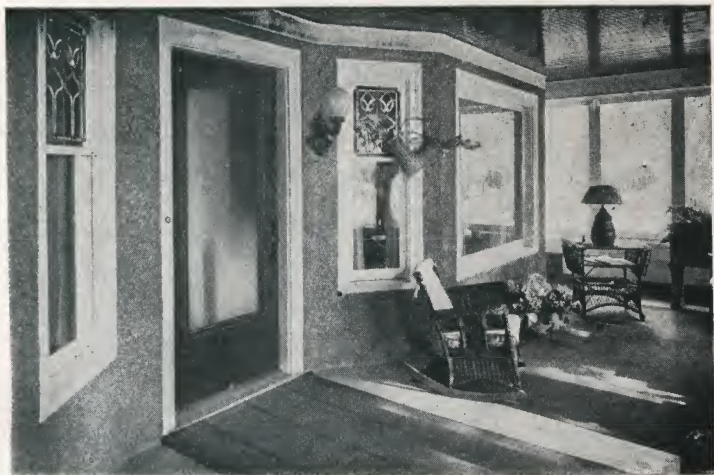
NO LONGER is it customary to greet those who enter your home with the word "Welcome" carved in stone above the entrance. A warmer, more sincere greeting is extended without the use of words or carvings.

Today the architect expresses the welcome in the entrance itself. The cordiality of the welcome depends upon the owner's or architect's skill and attention to details rather than upon the amount of money spent on the home.

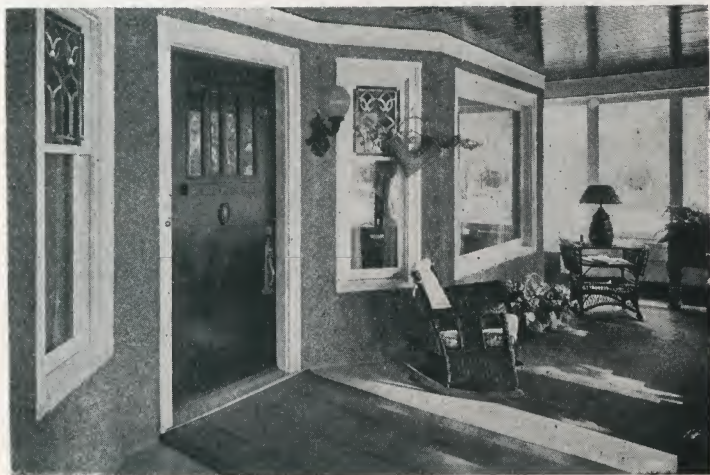
The key to it all is the doorway and the door. The door, if it does not harmonize or if it lacks distinction, can spoil the appearance of the entire house and make it look uninviting. On the other hand the proper door—the hospitable looking door—can give an inviting appearance to the whole house.

Perhaps you feel there is something lacking in the greeting which your friends receive from your doorway. Perhaps your door is old, weatherbeaten or out-of-date. If so, this booklet will show you how at a small expense you can add a silent, yet warm greeting to your front entrance.

The booklet shows other inexpensive ways to add to the attractiveness and charm of your home.



The owner of this house, although he knew that his front door was neither weather-beaten nor out-of-date, felt that something was lacking. He installed a Morgan M-915 door with the result that the appearance of the whole house has been improved. Further improvements were made on this house. (See page 12.)



The Door with a Welcome *The Morgan Flush Door*

THE ever increasing popularity of Morgan Flush Doors is due to the fact that they lend themselves to almost every style of architecture. Because of their beauty, simplicity, strength and character—the essentials of enduring architectural style—they never will become out-of-date.

Morgan Flush Doors in addition to being adaptable to almost any style of architecture can be used in any kind of house, whether it is brick, frame, stone or stucco. They are in place in the humble bungalow or the most pretentious mansion.



Morgan Flush Door,
Design M-915, Select-
ed Red Birch, Built
in different woods.



Morgan Flush Door,
Design M-916, Plain
Red Oak, Built in
different woods.



Morgan Flush Door
Design M-615, Plain
Red Oak, Built in
different woods.



The Morgan Flush Door stands for simplicity,
strength and dignity.

Morgan Flush Doors appear to be made from one solid piece of wood. There being no fancy panels to catch dust or dirt, they are easily cleaned and kept clean. The construction of this door practically guarantees its lasting qualities. It is even more substantial and solid than it appears.

The sturdy appearance of Morgan Flush Doors gives to the doorways in which they are placed an air of strength and security. Because Morgan Flush Doors are strong enough to withstand abuse, they make the interior of the home secure

Morgan Flush
Door Design M-616
Plain Red Oak,
Built in different
woods.



No one doubts the sincerity of the welcome which
this door extends.

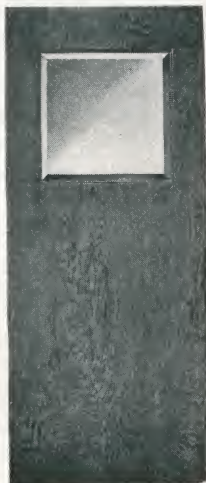
against wind and weather. Morgan Flush Doors, being built up solid, do not rattle or squeak with weather changes.

Morgan Flush Doors exclude sound—the interior of the home thus protected is as quiet and secluded as if entirely inclosed by a brick wall. This security and freedom from outside noises make Morgan Flush Doors a desired addition to any home.

Morgan Flush Doors can be obtained in many designs and woods. Beauty and simplicity are found

in any of these many designs, from the plain interior to the most elaborate glazed exterior door. You can procure the door to match the different woods and finishes now in your house. Morgan Flush Doors, both interior and exterior, can be obtained with many beautiful designs of rich inlay.

Morgan Flush Doors with all their attributes of beauty, simplicity, strength, character, distinction, and elegance, are not really expensive. A Morgan Flush Front Door installed in your home will increase the value of your home and even make it rent easier or sell quicker. The appearance of your home will be bettered by adding this distinctive touch. The buying of a Morgan Front Door will be an investment which will pay out in value received, many times over.



Morgan Flush Door,
Design M-415, Plain
Red Oak, Built in
different woods.



Morgan Flush Door,
Design M-418, Plain
Red Oak, Built in
different woods.

Morgan Exterior Door, Design Craftsman "B" Plain Red Oak, Built in different woods.



The simple beauty of the doorway adds distinction to this home.

A front door should:

Be beautiful—

Harmonize with your style of architecture—

Express your ideas of beauty—

Be up-to-date—

Be well kept—not shabby and weatherbeaten—

Be distinctive and possess character—

Should express a welcome.

Does your front door measure up to the standards of a real front door or does it detract from your house? Is it shabby, weatherbeaten, old-fashioned



The doorway makes the house a home.

Morgan Flush Door,
Design M-815, Brown
Ash, Built in different
woods.



or ugly? Does it add to the value of your home or does it detract? Does it welcome your friends and does it lend to the entrance a "homey atmosphere"?

If it does not measure up to these requirements you should purchase a new one in the same spirit that you would choose a needed and useful piece of furniture.

If you install a Morgan Door in place of your old door you will find that it will even exceed your expectations of what a front door should be.

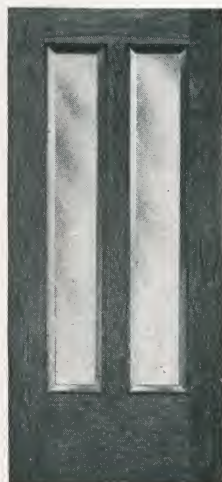
Morgan front doors are built with the idea in mind that they are to add to the appearance and value of your house. Since age does not mar the beauty or distinctiveness of Morgan doors, they will express the right kind of welcome to your friends for years to come.

Installing a new Morgan Door in place of your old front door will not occasion any worry or trouble. There is a size of door to replace the old one.

Your old door can be measured and a new one obtained in the same size. If it is desired to have sidelights to harmonize with the new door, they can be obtained at small expense. When installing the new door, there need be no tearing out of the woodwork, jambs, etc.—the same jambs can be used.



Morgan Flush Door, Design M-417, Plain Red Oak, Built in different woods.



Morgan Exterior Door, Design M-179, Plain Red Oak, Built in different woods.

The French Door

~ The Most Popular Door in the History of Building

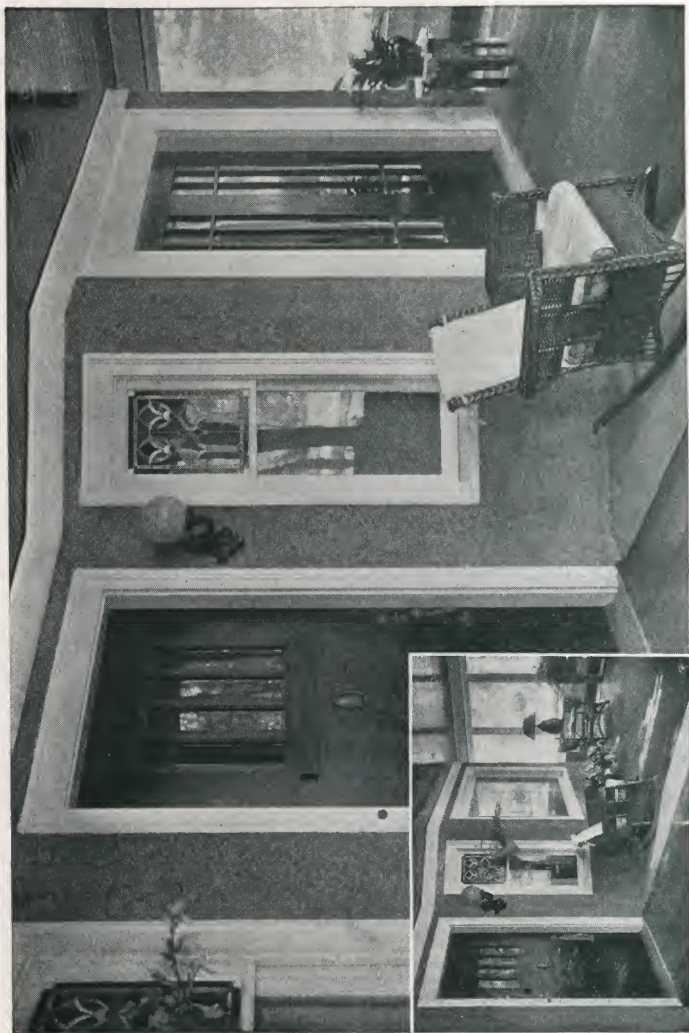
THE French Door—the door which has become in the last few years the most popular door in the history of building—is not only very attractive and beautiful but also very practical.

The French Door is dainty in appearance, yet very strong and its lasting qualities are not to be questioned.

Light and sunlight stream through French Doors and give to the interior of the home that cheery, light hearted atmosphere. For this reason the French Doors have come to stay.

Like the Flush Door, Morgan French Doors are adaptable to almost any style of architecture and they can be used with good taste in any home or in any building.

The French Door is the answer to the request for a door which would admit light and sunshine—be practical—and still be strong and possess character.



These photographs show one way to enjoy the convenience of French Doors. The useless stationary window on the porch was replaced with a pair of Morgan French Doors. The changed effect is pleasing--the house is more airy, much more cheery and lighter. Entrance to the living room from the porch is now convenient.



No piece of furniture is more pleasing than the French Door

The above photo illustrates a 32 light French Door installed in a living room. This photograph shows how the French Door, although not as prominent as most of the other furniture in the room, adds more to its appearance than any other fixture or piece of furniture.

Any piece of furniture could be taken from this room without detracting greatly from the general appearance. By covering up the French Door it will be noticed that much of the homelike atmosphere of this room is lost.

Since the advent of the French Door into popular use as an interior door, home-makers have come to realize that the French Door is a necessary addition to the room which is to represent a distinctive taste in home beautifying.



This photograph shows the cased opening between two rooms. This opening made the rooms seem too large—too much like a large hall—so a pair of French Doors were installed—



With the result that the appearance of both rooms is helped. The barren look is gone and both rooms seem cozy and homelike.



The French Doors can be opened and closed any time.



When privacy is desired the two rooms can be separated.



The daintiness and the beauty of French Doors is illustrated by the
piece of furniture harmonize so com



photographs which show French Doors installed. Could any
 with surroundings as do these doors.

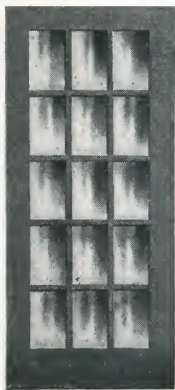


This rough summer cabin, built like thousands of others, would resemble almost any of the others if it were not for the French Doors.

Morgan French Door Design "Terrace,"
White Pine, Plain
D. S. Glass.

They add a touch of daintiness which nothing else could supply—in fact, the French Doors make this rough cabin a real home—a place one likes to be in and live in. Could any other one article do as much?

The real worth and artistic value of French Doors is nowhere better illustrated than in this photograph.



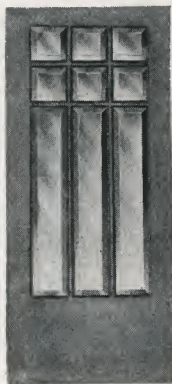
Morgan Exterior French Doors *~* Made of White Pine

FOR exterior use where French Doors are exposed to the weather, Morgan White Pine Doors should be used. They should be properly painted, however, to protect them from the weather. Morgan White Pine French Doors are also used for interiors where the woodwork is to be painted and where it is not desired to retain the natural grain of the wood. White Pine French Doors are indispensable as entrances to porches, sun parlors, summer cottages, terraces, gardens, etc.

Morgan French Door,
Design "Tea Garden,"
White Pine, Plain D.
S. Glass.



Morgan French Door,
Design "Frankfort,"
White Pine, Bevel
Plate Glass.



Morgan French Door,
Design "Tiffany,"
White Pine, Plain D.
S. Glass.



You will be surprised what wonders a pair of Morgan French Doors will work if used in any of these places.

Perhaps there is a corner of your porch which could be fitted up as a real summer room by the addition of a pair of French Doors and some screening. In Winter, if closed in with sash, this new room will make a cozy sun parlor.

White Pine French Doors can be obtained in any of the designs shown here and with any arrangement and number of lights, made up with plain window glass, bevel plate or mirror glass.

Morgan French Door
Design — "Wilbert,"
White Pine, Bevel
Plate Glass.



Morgan French Door,
Design — "Wilson,"
White Pine, Plain D.
S. Glass.



Morgan French Door,
Design — "Fernwood,"
White Pine, Bevel
Plate Glass.





Because light and sunlight stream through them while they exclude the wind and rain, French doors have practically displaced doors, formerly used as entrances to porches, sun parlors, terraces, gardens and summer houses. These photographs show two different uses of French Doors.



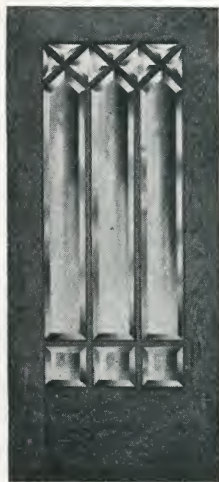
Hardwood French Doors

Where to use them

MORGAN Hardwood French Doors are best suited for use in the home interior, finished with stains, varnish, etc., and not painted. They should be stained or varnished to match the woodwork in the interior of the home, but they should not be used where exposed to the weather unless there is porch protection. Morgan Hardwood French Doors used in any room of the house will add beauty and attractiveness to that room. Installed in place of those cumbersome folding doors they give privacy when desired and they add to the appearance of the room instead of detracting from it.



Morgan French Door,
Design M-127, Plain
Red Oak, Plain D. S.
Glass.



Morgan French Door,
Design M-46, Plain
Red Oak, Bevel Plate
Glass.



Special Design Hardwood French Doors stained to match woodwork in dining room and painted on reverse side to harmonize with the white woodwork in the living room. "Terrace" French Door in background.

Even in the bedroom or bathroom where privacy is desired, French Doors glazed with mirror glass are used.

Morgan Hardwood French Doors can be obtained with any kind of glass to suit any purpose. They can be procured in any design or size, with any arrangement or number of lights desired. Any of the designs made up in White Pine (see pages 18 thru 21) are obtainable in hardwood. Many other designs in addition to those listed are made up. Special design Morgan Hardwood French Doors can be obtained in from two to six weeks' time. Morgan French Doors can be installed as easily as any other door —without any tearing out or rearrangement of door jambs.



No bedroom is complete without a mirror door,

terior woodwork of your home in both finish and color. Morgan Mirror Doors will fit into your home as if they were designed for it—you will soon find them companions from which you will never want to part.

Morgan Mirror Door,
Design M-88, Birch,
Built in different
woods.

Morgan Mirror Doors have an added touch of beauty due to the method of placing the mirror. It is not planted on the frame and held in place with a large, unsightly moulding as in the case with ordinary mirror doors. The mirrors in Morgan Mirror Doors are sunk in the panel and held in place with a neat glass





The appearance of even the living room is helped by the addition of a Morgan Mirror Door.

Morgan Mirror
Doors, Design M-88
White Pine.

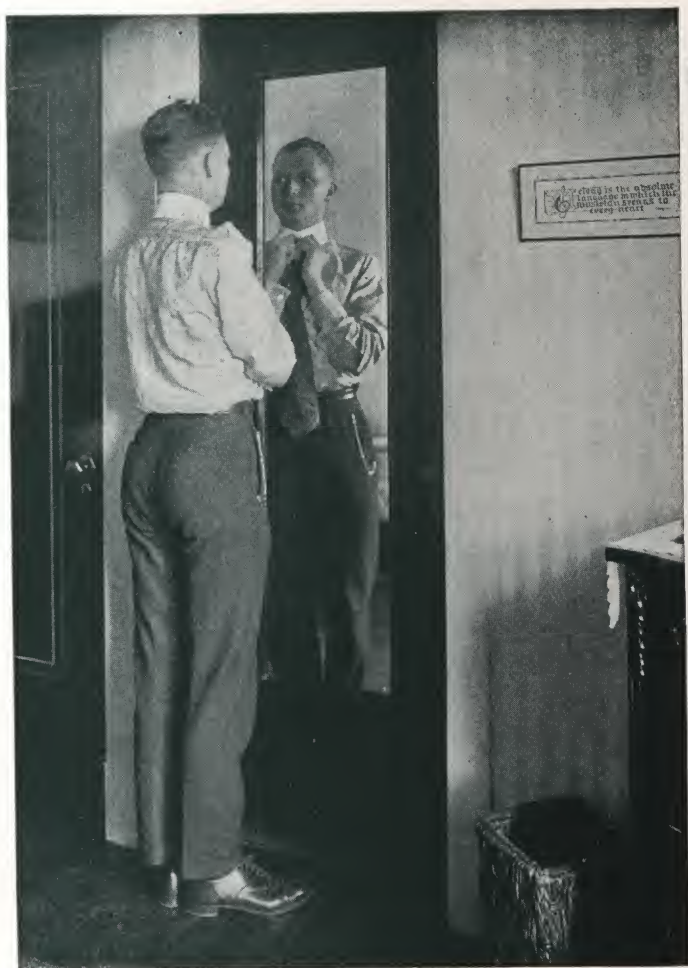


bead. Morgan Mirror Doors are furnished with the best grade of beveled polished plate glass. These mirrors will always remain beautiful and will not cloud. Our guarantee means that you will receive perfect doors which will remain perfect.

Morgan Mirror Doors are not an extravagance but an investment. A house with mirror doors will rent quicker and sell easier and for more money. Every cent spent for Morgan Mirror Doors means just so much money added to the value of your home.



Dressing should be a pleasure—not misery.



The Morgan Mirror Door makes dressing a real pleasure.

What Constitutes a Home

A REAL home, first of all, must be in accord with the owner's idea of beauty. The home should be distinctive and should have an inviting, hospitable appearance.

The interior should be cozy, cheerful and above all convenient. No matter how beautiful your home may be, if it causes you many little discomforts it will not be the real joy which a home should be. There are a number of real home and comfort makers shown in this booklet—would your home be helped by the addition of any of them? If so, you should not neglect any longer adding these necessities. You will be surprised what wonders these Morgan Home Comforts will work.

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